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EDITORIAL NOTES.

Bro. John Nicholson is now in Indiana.

Bro. E. L. Yoder was at Golden city, Missouri last week.

Wonder who has sent us an essay, entitled, "Home?"

Bro. Richard Arnold will have something to say next week.

The Brethren church at Maitland, Penna., is building a new church house.

Bro. Brown writes about the communion in a very practical way this week.

The Ashland City church expect to hold a communion soon. Time not fixed yet.

We await the news from northern Indiana, where brother Rittgers has been at work.

The weather has been very gloomy the past week, and that always makes items of church news scarce.

Our brethren will appreciate the improvement in the way of dates at the head of each page, of this number.

Now is the time to secure subscribers. Let work be commenced early that a good list may be had for 1886.

The new moon is now on hand and the weather during the next few days will be more favorable for meetings.

Bro. James Skelly, of Hope-dale, Ohio, left for New Paris, Ind., last week, after a pleasant stay of several days in Ashland.

Sister Lottie Holsinger stopped at Ashland, this week, on her return from Denver, Col., to Berlin, Pa., and visited the Boarding Hall family.

Kansas starts into the winter work encouragingly, and we may expect good reports from that section of the field. Brethren Hixson and Bauman and others are alive to the work.

The Brethren and German Baptists are having lively times at Louisville, Ohio. Twenty some have joined the Brethren, and the Baptists have had a number of accessions, we are told.

We almost wish that we had been at the home of Brother Richard Arnold's in Kansas, when that meeting was that our correspondents are writing about. Bro. Arnold, as many know, is financially interested in the Pub. House.

NORTH MANCHESTER, IND., Nov. 2nd.—The good ship of Zion is still sailing toward the harbor. Bro. R. F. Mallott has been laboring with us for the last week and notwithstanding dark nights and rainy weather, we have large congregations, and good interest. Ten were baptized yesterday, and more to follow. Meetings still in progress. May the Lord bless Bro. Mallott and the cause which he is so earnestly defending.

WM. W. SUMMERS.

I need a Saviour to save me I have no salvation till I find a Saviour. A person I must have. The highest truth will not save me, further than as it brings me to the Saviour, that he may give, and I may get, eternal life.—Dr. JOHN DUNCAN.

THE FIELD.

LOGAN, O., October 24.—Our lovefeast is a thing of the past, and I hope that we all feel the worth of a communion to strengthen our spiritual body, which we shall have if we live as we should. On the 18th, was our regular preaching and one precious soul came out on the Lord's side and was baptized. The lambs are coming. May God guide them through this life and make them faithful Christians.

Brother J. H. Palmer preached, and I hope that he will receive a crown. That was his first to baptize.

The German Baptists had a protracted meeting, and a lovefeast but we did not get the idea of Calvert breaking the bread for his sisters. Calvert is the noted preacher and he preached good sermons, they got one member, and I hope that she will be a Christian.

Brethren there is more than to join a church. Then is when the work begins for Jesus. Let us do all we can for Jesus and we will receive a blessing.

JOHN KISTLER.

ADRIAN MO., Oct. 28th.—The Brethren church here is gaining in members and influence. We have an interesting Union Sabbath School, superintended by the writer; also, prayer meeting every Sabbath evening. Prayer meetings are also very interesting and instructive. We commenced a protracted meeting on the 4th of this month, and on the 5th, Bro. A. J. Hixson, of Parsons, Kansas, came to our assistance, and on the eighth Bro. W. G. McClintock and F. N. Hendricks came in from Jasper Co. We held communion services Friday evening, being the 9th; and to say that the occasion was an enjoyable one is only expressing it mildly.

Brother Ruble and daughter were also with us, but got here one day too late to enjoy the communion services.

Our meeting broke up Monday evening, Oct. 19th, when Bro's. McClintock and Hixson left us for their homes. Bro. Hixson partially promising to be with us a few days again during the winter. The immediate result of the meeting was six additions by baptism, and one reclaimed, with still a deep interest in the Master's cause lingering in the minds of many who we truly hope and pray will not put it off much longer.

AARON SHOWALTER.

OSWEGO, KANS., Oct. 3.—After spending a week with such families as Bro. R. Arnold, A. F. Hixson, Isaac Murray, and other loving brethren near Montana city, all victims of Annual meeting and the Elder ruling, and then to ride eleven miles with Bro. Arnold, to the depot where I am to wait until 4 o'clock p. m. and he return home, gave me good time to reflect over my experience of the past week. On Sunday Oct. 24th, I landed at Bro. Hixson's just in time to go with them to meeting at the school house near, where we had a pleasant meeting and continued all the week. On Saturday upwards of 40 brethren and sisters met at Bro. Arnold's new house for communion services. And a communion it was to me; for it seemed to contain the essential

elements, brotherly love and christian affection, which were the ruling features of the meeting. Although somewhat crowded for Bro. A.'s new house, though the largest in the vicinity, was too small for the occasion. All passed off pleasantly. Just as we began to get seated, in steps Bro. Bauman, from Poney Creek, with a smile on his face. It is no wonder he smiled. Any bro. would after hearing through one, J. B. Lair, through the *Messenger*, that Progression was about dead in Hixson's church. And to be introduced to such a number of intelligent brethren and sisters, would not cause one to smile, but cause one to think that such a reporter, with such a name, ought to reverse the middle letters of his name; for Sunday's work will show that that would spell what he was guilty of, if he did make such a report.

Two precious young souls were baptised Saturday. On Sunday five joined by letter, and four by relation, from German Baptists, and one by baptism, and last night one more applicant came, which make fourteen in all.

Hixson and Bauman, will continue the good work another week, and I feel sure they will be able to report more additions, notwithstanding the German Baptists are in a revival at an adjoining school house.

This is my first acquaintance with Bro. Arnold and his pleasant family.

D. HARADER.

Corbin, Kan.

PROSPERITY, W. VA., Oct. 27th.—I will try to write a few lines for your noble columns. We commenced a protracted meeting on the 11th, ult. We had written to Bro. Henry Wise to be with us, but on account of poor health he could not be with us. So we commenced the work, our homeministers, John W. Province, A. Stalnaker, and C. J. Showalter, doing the preaching, with the members marching close by in one solid rank, and the blessed Master in the midst. The brethren preached the word with great earnestness and the enemy began to give back. The brethren marched boldly on, bearing the blood stained banner of the Lord Jesus Christ, and wielding the sword of the spirit which is the word of God, until we broke the enemy's ranks and captured nine of his followers and brought them into the fold of our Master, and many more were almost ready to surrender. Among those that joined the church, was an old man whose head is blossoming for the grave, and a little boy 12 years old. May the good Lord keep them faithful until death and give them a crown of everlasting life.

On the night of the 24th, was our lovefeast which was one of the most enjoyable ones I ever witnessed. Thirty-four of the brethren and sisters surrounded the Lord's table and enjoyed the feast. The meeting closed on the night of the 26th, with good interest and many listeners.

JOHN SHOWALTER.

MOUND VALLEY, KANS., Nov. 1.—Having just returned from the Mound Valley Lovefeast, being renewed in the inner man and enjoying the blessings of such "heavenly places," it is but natu-

ral to tell it to those we have loved so long.

It was at the good home of beloved Richard Arnold (Brethren headquarters), where we met with our brethren, among them Bros. Harader, Bauman, and Hixson, whose hearts were overflowing with joy. Every heart seemed to thank God for privileges of the hour.

While we gathered round the table our minds ran back to the days that are gone. We thought how often we had met in Southern Ohio to celebrate the agonies of the Cross. How, with our mind and one purpose, we had met, how much stronger we were made for life's great struggle. But sad to our young heart came the thought of our being turned away; sent home and not allowed that for which Christ died.

Dear EVANGELIST; do you make your weekly visits to Brush Creek Churches? If so, do you find those hearts of stone? If they have repented, tell them kindly, gently, that that young brother has often felt as if to faint, but now is growing stronger by the grace given him, and if possible, will forget those sad things that are behind—false brethren, slanderous reports, etc.; and press forward with greater energy to the things that we must attain—immortality eternal life.

Brethren in the East: you will pardon me—do you know that while you are pleasantly situated have your neat, clean churches, have S. S. and social meeting, all the means of grace, there are thousands all over this great West who desire to hear and see those things that you enjoy, but cannot. Is it possible brethren that the few faithful ministers we have cannot be kept in the field continually? Shall we in this age of progress do our part for the rising generation by planting the pure Gospel of Christ in new fields that may ripen to the glory of God?

FRANK WHITE.

MAXVILLE, OHIO, Nov. 5.—I made a trip to Knox County, O., on Saturday, Oct. 31st, to fill Brother Mallott's appointments at Ankneytown and North Liberty. Had a very fair congregation at Ankneytown school house on Saturday night, and I enjoyed myself very much talking to the congregation about the way of life and salvation, to which they all listened attentively. On Sabbath morning I was called upon to perform a marriage ceremony at the residence of Bro. Joseph Leedy. Mr. Clement Humphry to Miss Sarah Leedy. After this brother Conrad and I got into a buggy and drove over to North Liberty, six miles through the rain and found the church closed for a dryer day. Met brother Grubb and family and spent a few moments very pleasantly, and then returned back to brother Leedy's where dinner was awaiting us, which we could better enjoy than tell about. At three o'clock we had preaching again at the school house. Attendance slim. Taking wether in consideration we had rather a good time, but we must work while it is called to-day even if it does rain.

DANIEL HENRICKS.

KIMBALL, DAK., Oct. 25.—I have just finished reading No's 40 and 41 of the EVANGELIST.

In reading this good paper, I am caused to think back a few years when we were members of the same body and same faith. We have been a resident of Dakota for about four years, and have not heard over a dozen sermons in all the time, and these were Methodist and Presbyterian.

Now, to be brief, we have become tired of this way of living, without church facilities, and we felt that we must do something for the good cause and for ourselves, or we will perish and die a spiritual death. Eld. J. A. Murray, will commence a meeting in the school house two weeks from to-day. We are talking of organizing a church here. Some of us prefer the Brethren church, while a few favor the German Baptist. As I am one of the victims who was sacrificed, I should not like to come under such jurisdiction again, although I can forgive on the same ground that Christ forgave his persecutors.

I have read articles in the EVANGELIST from Wm. Bauman, P. J. Brown, Seph. Hilderbrand, Eld. Bashor, H. R. Holsinger and others, with whom we have been intimately acquainted and it brings up past memories that we cannot forget. Now it is our desire to see a Progressive organization in this county, and as soon as convenient, as we are tired of being out in the cold. We will keep the EVANGELIST posted on the events in this county.

C. P. ROBERTS.

LANCASTER, PA., Oct. 29.—As I have been a reader of the EVANGELIST for some time and it has encouraged me to write. I see so much call for preaching, and why not have a missionary fund and send the Brethren as the Savior taught his disciples. "Go and teach all nations." When we ask why don't the Brethren do so the answer is, Why we are too poor.

But when are we going to be rich? Why, just as soon as we all cast our mite into the treasury, with willing hearts to praise and adore God's name; and by so doing, we will be blessed, and what more do we want than God's blessing, from day to day. We have our duty to perform, and we can't wait until we are rich. God wants us to do good and if we are not rich we can help the church by doing what we can for the good cause.

Now Brethren let us have a missionary fund, so that the Brethren can be sent and they need not to be troubled about the expense. How can they preach the glad tidings of great joy when their necessary wants are not supplied? They cannot do it as they ought to. Brethren don't think hard of me. I do not plead for myself, as my husband is no preacher, but I plead for the prosperity of the church, and there is nothing in the way but a little self-sacrifice and vanity of this world.

I hear some one say, "yes; here is the college debt; this must be paid first." Oh no, let the rich pay that. I know this, if I had the means as well as I don't have, I would have that cry stopped. I feel like saying to those Brethren that can help Brother Holsinger out of his trouble, please do so; for I think he could do so much good in the church if that was off his mind.

A SISTER IN CHRIST.